

Indiana Department of Environmental Management Office of Water Quality Wetlands Section

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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Closing Date: November 18, 2010

To all interested parties:

This letter shall serve as a formal notice of the receipt of an application for Section 401 Water Quality Certification by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM). The purpose of the notice is to inform the public of active applications submitted for water quality certification under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1341) and to solicit comments and information on any impacts to water quality related to the proposed project. IDEM will evaluate whether the project complies with Indiana's water quality standards as set forth at 327 IAC 2.

1. Applicant:

Mayor Brian Snedecor

City of Hobart 414 Main St. Hobart, IN 46342 2. Agent: Mr. Ryan Scott

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3. Project location:

Sections 1 and 12, Township 35 North, Range 8 West, Gary USGS Quadrangle Map

Project is located at (east and south of) the intersection of Colorado St. and 61st Ave, in Hobart, Lake County

4. Affected waterbody:

unnamed tributary to the Deep River

5. Project Description:

The applicant proposes to widen and improve 61st Avenue from just east of Colorado Avenue to just east of Arizona Avenue; this is phase 2 of three phases along 61st Avenue. The proposal is to repave Colorado Street and to widen 61st Avenue to two through lanes with a two-way middle turning lane and a five-foot concrete sidewalk along the north side of the street. The street is being widened to the north due to the presence of four petroleum pipelines that run along the south side of 61st Avenue. The widening of 61st Avenue proposes the relocation of 29 feet of unnamed tributary of the Deep River into a new pipe and stormwater treatment system (Aqua Swirl) on the north side of the road; nine feet of riprap is proposed to be placed at the end of the new pipe. The jurisdictional portion of the stream starts on the north side of 61st Avenue, so the replacement of the existing pipe under 61st Avenue is not regulated by IDEM. The purpose of the Aqua Swirl placement is to satisfy Lake County storm water quality requirements for total suspended solids (TSS).

Comment period:

Any person or entity who wishes to submit comments or information relevant to the aforementioned project may do so by the closing date noted above. Only comments or information related to water quality or potential impacts of the project on water quality can be considered by IDEM in the water quality certification review process.

Public Hearing:

Any person may submit a written request that a public hearing be held to consider issues related to water quality in connection with the project detailed in this notice. The request for a hearing should be submitted within the comment period to be considered timely. The request should also state the reason for the public hearing as specifically as possible to assist IDEM in determining whether a public hearing is warranted.

Questions?

Additional information may be obtained from Ms. Liz Pelloso, Project Manager, at 317-233-2482. Please address all correspondence to the project manager and reference the IDEM project identification number listed on this notice. Indicate if you wish to receive a copy of IDEM's final decision. Written comments and inquiries may be forwarded to -

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